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USE OF PARTICLES HYDROPHOBIZED BY FLUOROSILANES FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SELF-CLEANING SURFACES HAVING LIPOPHOBIC, OLEOPHOBIC, LACTOPHOBIC AND HYDROPHOBIC

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

- 1) References have been cited in the International Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
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